MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : It may be both ways.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : I am not asking for a "may be". I know, that it may be or that it is possible. I am asking the member on what information the answer is based, and whether this information is given after such inspection and report. I want to know whether any report has been received from the Executive Engineer direct?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : No.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Will the member then kindly ascertain from the Chief Engineer whether this information has been based on any information supplied by any person who has inspected the road?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

The Jenmi-Kutiyan Bill.

102. MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the date on which the last Jenmi-Kutiyan Bill was introduced in the Legislative Council by the Government ;

(*b*) the date on which the Bill was referred to the Select Committee ;

(*c*) the date on which its report was received by the Government ;

(*d*) whether the Government propose to place the Bill and the Select Committee's report for discussion by the Legislative Council, and if so, the probable date thereof ; and

(*e*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the affirmative, the cause of the delay, and, if the anwer is in the negative, the reason therefor ?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*) : (*a*) 21st January, 1930.

(*b*) 22nd January, 1930.

(*c*) 4th February, 1931.

(*d*) It was placed before the Council during this session.

(*e*) The report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill was received only on the eve of the dissolution of the last (Third) Council. The Bill could not be taken up to the Council in the last Budget session, firstly, for want of time, and secondly, because the Government thought that the members of the present Council might require some time to study the Bill.

Purchase of a radio set for the Observatory.

103. MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a radio receiving set was got down from Madras for the use of the Government Observatory ;

(*b*) whether the mechanism has been fitted up and whether it is in working order ;

(*c*) the total cost incurred by the Government for the mechanism ; and

(*d*) the name of the company that supplied the mechanism ?

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